

TOWN OF HERNDON

Enriching the Quality of Life and Promoting a Sense of Community



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EDITORS NOTE: Attached is a list of winning and “honorable mention” homes, as a service to citizens who may want to take a driving tour of the homes on their own.

“DRESS UP HERNDON FOR THE HOLIDAYS” WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Herndon, VA (December 11, 2007) – Nostalgic themes, elegant designs and an abundance of holiday spirit were in evidence throughout the Town of Herndon as part of the second annual “Dress Up Herndon for the Holidays” Neighborhood Decoration Contest, sponsored by the Town’s Cultivating Community Initiative (CCI).

The judging panel, made up of volunteer members of the CCI committee, circulated throughout Town on the evening of December 10 to visit nominated homes and to award first-place winners in four categories: Traditional, Lights, Childhood Memories and Neighborhood Spirit.

“Dress Up Herndon for the Holidays” winning homes are as follows:

Traditional: Tom and Ann Rust, 1020 Monroe St. This elegant home features white lights, traditional holiday greens and carefully-placed spotlights illuminating the scene.

Lights: Bruce and Karen Robinette, 1003 Van Buren St. A choreographed light show featuring reds, whites and a Christmas tree of many changing colors evokes the holiday spirit.

Childhood Memories: Will Lange and Aimee Wedlake, 810 Monroe St. This home evokes a “gingerbread house” look and feel, complete with the old-fashioned “big” holiday lights that decked the halls of yesteryear.

Neighborhood Spirit: The neighbors of Bowers Lane worked together to line their lane with colored luminaries, capturing what one neighbor described as “the true meaning of the holidays --- family, friends, neighbors and being together.”

Winning homeowners were presented with a festive sign, suitable for display, and will be formally recognized by the Mayor and Town Council at the January 15, 2008, public hearing.

The Cultivating Community Initiative is a program designed to encourage beautification and enrich the quality of life in the Town of Herndon’s neighborhoods. Other events produced by Cultivating Community include the Yard of the Month Awards, the Good Neighbor Awards, Neighborhood Celebration Month and the Herndon Garden Tour. All programs are developed through the input of citizen volunteers.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 23,500 people. In 2006, the Town of Herndon was named among “the best affordable suburbs” in America by *Business Week* Magazine.

For more information, visit the Town’s website at www.herndon-va.gov.

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2007 “Dress Up Herndon for the Holidays” Nominated Homes

Winners

1020 Monroe Street

810 Monroe Street

1003 Van Buren Street

Bowers Lane

Honorable Mentions

811 Fall Street

1508 Summerset Place

1409 Summerset Place

1304 Summerfield Drive

650 School Street

761 Grace Street

763 Grace Street

1375 Dominion Ridge Lane

111 Herndon Mill Circle